Conservation Commission Minutes Aug. 16, 2016 Grange Meeting Room Boxborough Town Hall 29 Middle Rd.

Members Present: Charlene Golden, Norm Hanover, David Koonce and Dennis Reip.

Members Absent: David Follett, Hoff Stuart.

Dennis called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Motion was made by Charlene, seconded by Dennis and voted unanimously to approve the minutes of August 3, 2016.

Motion was made by David Koonce, seconded by Dennis and voted unanimously to approve as corrected the minutes of July 20, 2016.

Motion was made by Dennis, seconded by David Koonce and voted unanimously to approve the payment of \$44.45 to W.B. Mason for laminating supplies.

The Commission received a letter from Lawn Barber indicating someone has been vandalizing the sprinkler system and plantings in the wetland replication area.

The Commission reviewed their copy of the Atty. Kathleen A. Vorce letter to the Board of Selectmen about the intent of the estate to sell the property on Summer Road and Mass Ave. Motion was made by Dennis, seconded by Norm and voted 3 to 1 to waive the right to purchase based on the previous land ranking.

David Koonce communicated with Stephen White regarding grazing at Rolling Meadows. Stephen has put up an electric fence for pasture #1 only. This is the only area approved for his use at this time. If successful, the Commission will review potential expansion to pasture #3.

The Commission discussed the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) and what projects qualify for CPA funds. This will need to be clarified for both Commission members and the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee. Dennis reviewed the Preliminary Application of CPC and Conservation Trust Fund – Preliminary (Draft Final) Application 8/16/2016. This application needs to be completed by the end of October. Any CPA appropriations to the Conservation Trust Fund would be tracked separately from monies generated from other (unrestricted) sources to ensure proper accountability of CPA funds.

Motion was made by Norm, seconded by Dennis and voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:50 pm. Respectfully submitted,

Norm Hanover

Signed

Sept 21, 2016 Date